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FOR GARRISON FROM SHINN

E.O. 11652:GDS

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. FOR KAP SWARTZ FROM MCCALL: BARBARA WATSON HAS VETOED
OUR PROPOSAL TO EXEMPT KRESSLER FROM THE CONSULAR COURSE.
HIS PEOPLE ARE NEUTRAL, IF ANYTHING PREFERRING HE TOUCH
THAT BASE FOR THE RECORD. SORRY, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE YOU
WILL HAVE TO LIVE WITH THE UNDERLAP.

2. OUR EXPERIMENT WITH THE SUMMER INTERN PROGRAM WAS
ENCOURAGING. ANN MACFARLANE ENDED UP RUNNING A WELL-
RECEIVED DEPARTMENT-WIDE SEMINAR SERIES IN ADDITION TO THE
PLANNED PROGRAM FOR THE SOV CORE CADRE OF NINE. WE WERE
DISAPPOINTED THAT OF THREE IN SOV WHO TOOK THE ORALS WHILE
WITH US, ONLY ONE PASSED. BUT WE ARE WORKING ON MANEUVERING
THAT ONE INTO LINE TO COME ABOARD IN EXCHANGES NEXT
SUMMER, WHERE WE COULD THEN LAUNCH HIM ONWARD VIA FSI IN
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1980 INTO THE JORP BEHIND VAN LANINGHAM IN FEBRUARY 1981.
THE EFFORT CONTINUES.

3. REPLACEMENT NAMES FOR SCI VICE GREENBERG: SHOSTAL, EPA,
WAS INTERESTED WHEN SHERROD RAISED IT MONTHS AGO. OES
FAVORS HIM, BUT CLAIMS HE HAS A FAMILY PROBLEM AND WON'T
CONTINUE IT NOW. PIERRE IS ON LEAVE, BUT SHERROD COULD

PITCH HIM AFTER LABOR DAY. ROBERT HUDSON, DCM HELSINKI, IS INTERESTED ACCORDING TO OES. HE CLAIMS SOME RUSSIAN, HAS EE EXPERIENCE. MIKE JOYCE, AN 04, BUT, NEXT TO SHOSTAL AND WILKINSON, ONE OF THE BEST PREPARED. (WE THINK WILKINSON REMAINS UNAVAILABLE, BUT WILL ASK HIM WHEN HE GETS BACK FROM LEAVE. HE WOULD BE TOP ON OUR LIST.)

4. REPLACEMENT FOR ECON VICE SKOUG: BILL KEASBEY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR USSR DIVISION, COMMERCE, MOSCOW ECON 66-68. JAMES M. EALUM, M/MO, MOSCOW ECON 65-67. JON GLASSMAN, HAVANA (04, BUT ASKED TO BE CONSIDERED). ALAN LOGAN, USEC BRUSSELS, MOSCOW 64-66. PETER SEMBLER, BERLIN (HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST, IN ADDITION TO KIEV INTEREST). ARTHUR SMITH, WARSAW.

5. FOR RAY SMITH: PLEASE CONTACT YOUR REAL ESTATE AGENT MILLI CHATEL (MRS. MARY RICHEY) 546-6494, AVAILABLE WEDNESDAY 1000-1545, ABOUT THE BREAKIN PROBLEM OF WHICH SHE WROTE YOU JULY 31.

6. REF PARA 3 MOSCOW 19865, WE HAVE SENT A COPY OF SOVIET OLYMPIC ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CIRCULAR LETTER VIA POUCH. REGISTRATION NUMBER 1909276.

7. REF MOSCOW 19865 PARA 2: EUR/SOV HAS PREPARED PRESS
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GUIDANCE ON US PARTICIPATION IN 1980 MOSCOW OLYMPICS. QUESTION HAS NOT BEEN RAISED AT NOON BRIEFING, BUT WE HAVE USED THIS LINE IN REPLYING TO LETTERS. TEXT FOLLOWS.
BEGIN TEXT:

THE INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ARRANGING THE OLYMPIC GAMES, INCLUDING SELECTION OF THE SITE. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE ORGANIZES THE GAMES AS APOLITICAL SPORTS EVENTS. NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEES, AS MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE, OVERSEE SELECTION OF ATHLETES AND OTHER ASPECTS OF INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY PARTICIPATION. THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE IS THE RESPONSIBLE AMERICAN BODY.

THE US GOVERNMENT DOES NOT PLAY A ROLE IN SUCH MATTERS AS SELECTION OF SITES OR PARTICIPANTS. PRESIDENT CARTER NOTED IN HIS PRESS CONFERENCE OF JULY 20, 1978, THAT AN AMERICAN DECISION ON WHETHER OR NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 1980 OLYMPICS IN MOSCOW, "IS A DECISION THAT WILL BE MADE BY THE UNITED STATES OLYMPIC COMMITTEE". HE ADDED IT WAS HIS OWN HOPE THAT AMERICAN ATHLETES WILL PARTICIPATE. END TEXT. CHRISTOPHER

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